UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

LAKE CHARLES DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF PROSPER OPERATORS, INC. AS OPERATORS OF THE MOTOR VESSEL AMBER, FOR EXONERATION FROM OR LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- * CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:16-CV-01363
- * (Admiralty)
- -X-
- * JUDGE ROBERT R. SUMMERHAYS
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- * MAGISTRATE JUDGE KATHLEEN KAY

ORDER

Considering the foregoing;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the *Motion for Summary Judgment on Issue of Jones Act Seamans Status* filed by defendant, Prosper Operators, Inc. ("Prosper"), be and is hereby GRANTED as there are no genuine issues of material fact that Mitchell Navarre ("Claimant") does not qualify as a Jones Act seaman as he had no connection to a vessel that was substantial in nature as required under *Chandris v. Latsis* and related jurisprudence.¹ Therefore, the Jones Act claim of Mitchell Navarre ("Claimant") is hereby dismissed, with prejudice.

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¹ 515 U.S. 347, 368 (1995).